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COUNTRY	East Germany			
TOPIC	Grossenhain Airfield			25X1
EVALUATION		PLACE OBTAINED		25X1
DATE OF CONTENT				25X1
DATE OBTAINED		DATE PREPARED	4 April 1955	
REFERENCES				
PAGES	2	ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)		
REMARKS	This is UNEVALUATED Information			

- The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Grossenhain airfield between 11 February and 3 March 1955:
 - 11 February. No air activity was observed.
 - 12 February. Between 1000 and 1500, there was intensive air activity by MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s. Individual local flights were made up to 1145. Flights in elements of two were made at 1110 and 1115. Between 1230 and 1500, individual take-offs were made at intervals of 2 to 5 minutes.
 - 13 and 14 February. No air activity was observed.
 - 15 February. Local flights were made by swept-back jet fighters at an altitude of about 200 meters.
 - 16 February. Flying was practiced from 1000 to 1200.
 - 17 February. There was air activity from 1000 to 1130.
 - 19 February. Flights were made from 1000 to 1200.
 - 22 February. Swept-back jet fighters practiced flying from 1200 to 1500. There was moderate visibility.
 - 18, 20 and 21 February. No air activity was observed. The alert flight [redacted] was regularly seen at the eastern end of the runway.
 - 23 February. At 1600, one MiG-15 or U-MiG-15 landed. Visibility was poor. The Token-type radar set on Spittelberg was in operation making 4 rotations in 1 minute.
 - 26 February. Individual take-offs were made by MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s from 1000 to 1300.
 - 27 and 28 February. No air activity was observed.
 - 1 March. A Li-2 crossed over Grossenhain at an altitude of about 300 meters. The alert formation of 4 swept-back jet fighters [redacted] was parked at the eastern end of the runway.
 - 2 March. From 1130 to 1500, MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s practiced flying in the Grossenhain area.
 - 3 March. Between 1100 and 1230, one Po-2 made local flights at an altitude of 300 meters. There was air activity by MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s from 1130 to 1500 and from 2030 to 2230.
- Radio and radar installations. An umbrella-type antenna braced by several guy wires was observed in the extension of the N-S runway close to the southern edge of the field. The row of masts under construction along the southern edge of the field consisted of 6 to 8 masts which had cross bars with 8 insulators on top.

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3. AA
On 17 February, 5 to 6 men were seen near each of the 6 AA guns in the AA gun emplacement. On 23 February, the AA gun emplacement seemed to be unoccupied and the gun barrels were elevated at an angle of about 30 degrees and pointed toward the east.
4. Marking of runway.
Air activity was little hampered by the snow. The course of the runway was marked by small trees which were erected on both sides. The eastern section was free of snow.

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1. Comment. It is believed that Grossenhain airfield is still occupied by 1 fighter division headquarters and 2 fighter regiments. At 1600 on 23 February, when there was poor visibility, a MIG-15 or U-MIG-15 landed with radar support.
2. Comment. The row of masts was reported previously.

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